Joint Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor and Chief Justice

Whereas, Justice Lori Wilbur has been part of the state's judicial branch for nearly 25 years and has served all these years with an attitude of service, humility, and with the greatest care and thoughtfulness to the issues presented to the court; and,

Whereas, Justice Wilbur has held every judicial position in the South Dakota court system. She first served as a part-time and then a full-time magistrate judge from 1992 to 1999, then as a circuit judge from 1999 to 2011, having been elected in 1998 and reelected in 2006. During that time, she was the Sixth Circuit's presiding judge from 2007 to 2011 and led the circuit's DUI Court program; and,

Whereas, Justice Wilbur was appointed to the South Dakota Supreme Court in 2011 by Governor Dennis Daugaard, making her the Court's 48th justice and the second woman to serve on that court; and,

Whereas, Prior to her judicial service, Justice Wilbur worked as an assistant attorney general and as an attorney for the Board of Regents, the Legislative Research Council, and the Bureau of Personnel; and,

Whereas, Justice Wilbur is a native of Madison, South Dakota, and earned her undergraduate and law degrees from the University of South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Justice Wilbur and her late husband, Brent, made their home in Pierre, South Dakota, where they raised two daughters, Paige and Molly; and she is a proud grandmother to George and Molly; and,

Whereas, Justice Wilbur has retired after six years of service as a justice of the South Dakota Supreme Court:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, and ***David Gilbertson***, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 13, 2017, as

JUSTICE LORI WILBUR DAY

in South Dakota, and join her family, friends, and colleagues as they recognize and congratulate her on a long and successful career, and also wish her a long, healthy, and enjoyable retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twelfth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

David Gilbertson, Chief Justice

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State